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1. The Protestant leaders in control of the Slovak Democratic Party are anxious to have General Jan Ambruz, CO of the Air Corps in Slovakia, devote a large part of his time to politics. According to present plans, General Ambruz is to be given a one-year leave of absence from the Army as soon as he completes a two-month visit to the United States and Canada.
2. General Ambruz, a Lutheran, is already a Slovak Democratic member of the Slovak National Council. He is known to have pro-Western leanings, and appears to be popular with both the Air Corps and the civilian population. Slovak Democratic leaders believe that he will be extremely useful when discussions open on the degree of autonomy to be left to Slovakia inside the framework of a Czechoslovak central government.
3. Colonel J. Lisicky is expected to head the Fourth Air Oblast during Ambruz's absence. Lt. Col. J. Jaske will continue as second in command.

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